

A RESOLUTION BY

COUNCILMEMBERS NATALYN MOSBY ARCHIBONG & C. T. MARTIN

**REQUESTING THAT CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE
A FORENSIC AUDIT SHOULD BE CONDUCTED AS
A RESULT OF THE FINDINGS AND
RECOMMEDATIONS FROM THE AUDIT REPORT
OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES
CONSTRUCTION AND THE SALE OF CITY HALL
EAST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, a letter dated December 21, 2009 from the City's Auditor states that "her report cannot be interpreted as an assurance that no waste, fraud, or abuse occurred in the project"; and

WHEREAS, forensic accounting is accounting that is suitable for legal review, offering the highest level of assurance, and including the now generally accepted connotation of having been arrived at in a scientific fashion; and

WHEREAS, the Council is a legislative/policymaking body; and, as such, has the responsibility for the oversight of city operations; and

WHEREAS, the audit report from the City Auditor identify no financial records of a \$24 million bank loan being recorded in the city's ledger; and

WHEREAS, this same reports suggest that other possible financial infractions may have occurred; and

WHEREAS, the city's current fiscal problems and the reports critical review of the contracting process that took place with this project suggest that that a closer look into the practices and procedures utilize for this contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA; as follow, that the City Council direct the Committee on Council to identify a funding source as well as enter into a Request for Proposal to hire a forensic accountant to review the contracts associated with the Public Safety Facilities Construction Project and the sale of the City Hall East facility.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith be and are hereby waived in this instance only.